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THE SCIENCE OF BREEDING.

The science of breeding and the principles of inbreeding are given in an article in the Canadian *Liv Stock Journal*, Toronto, presenting some well known principles that it is well to consider in our efforts to improve our stock for practical usefulness: Scientific students of the laws of heredity long since discovered that where animals of mixed breeds are indiscriminately together there is a constant struggle of nature to revert back to a fixed type, and generally that type which is common to the ancestry of most of the animals in the pedigree of the younger produced; but as blood influences do not always accord with the arithmetical ratio of the blood itself, that is not always the case. This tendency to revert to a previous type has been seized upon by breeders as a means of establishing breeds through inbreeding of the blood of some one or more animals possessing the type it is desired to fix upon the breed. Culling commenced with the bull Hubbard, and he and his successors established and perfected the Short Horn breed of cattle, which continues to breed true to the established type when kept pure, and when crossed struggles to assert its type.

The true theory of inbreeding is little understood by the superficial breeder. An animal may possess the blood of a given ancestor without possessing the least appreciable evidence of it in his tendencies or traits—in fact may be the counterpart of some other ancestor, or bear the stamp of a group of ancestors. Inbreeding by means of such animals will not tend to fix the type of the desired ancestor on his descendants. It is not alone that separate lines from a common source should be reunited, but those separate lines must each possess the tendencies typified in the commona course. That being the case, each will help and support the other in nature's struggle to cast back to type. When there is strength enough in this united effort it prevails not only in reproducing the type sought, but it eradicates contending influences and impresses a prepotent individual, or one that is practically thoroughbred in the type. In reproducing animal nature blood influences have their affinities and repellents, just as we find the same in the chemistry of material nature. Every student of pedigree has noticed that a typical strain from a superior source has usually a tendency to tick well when coupled with a kindred line from the same fount.

When nature, through intelligent inbreeding or by chance crossing, makes a drive to reproduce a latent type, the completeness with which it nullifies contending influences is often such that it cuts off beyond recovery valuable traits that had existed in the stock independently of the type. Breeders of both trotters and thoroughbreds have occasionally encountered a cut off cross that seemed to nullify all the good that went before it, though the incoming blood in the new cross was of itself good. An expected "nick" has thus failed. Trial alone can tell what strains will cross most harmoniously, but once discovered they can often be crossed and recrossed in successive generations to great profit. —Western Agriculturist and Liv Stock Journal.

SALTING BUTTER.

I assume that it is generally considered that butter absorbs salt, which it does not. In proof whereof I will state that some two months ago I worked up a pound of butter into a solid ball without salt. This butter has been kept immersed in strong brine until the present time, when on cutting it I found no trace of salt, except near the surface of the ball. Salt properly exists in butter only as dissolved in the water remaining in the butter; if found in the butter in an undissolved state, objection is made by any good judge of butter. From this reasoning it will be seen that the amount of salt in butter depends somewhat upon the amount of water in the butter when the salt is added. Let us suppose we have a quantity of drained granulated butter with twenty-six percent of water in it—our object is to salt only half the water, but that is an impossibility; we must salt all the water in the butter. Hence, if we are required to have one ounce to the pound in the finishing product, twice as much salt must be taken, for half of it will come out in exuded brine. There is no danger in getting in too much salt, provided no more salt is put in than will dissolve. Sometimes twenty pounds of butter, after salting in the granulated state, will exude three or four quarts on revolving the churn and working into a mass, and sometimes not more than one point. The difference is undoubtedly in the fineness or coarseness of the granules when the salt is added.—F. C. Curtis, in *The Stockman*.

IS SALT A FERTILIZER?

The use of salt for fertilizing purposes is still prevailing to some extent, and es-

specially in such agricultural regions where fertilizers have only recently been introduced and where the principles of artificial manuring are as yet little understood. It is true that salt occasionally produces upon some crops and upon certain soils a moderate increase of yield for a season or two, but the apparent benefit is not lasting; on the contrary, such applications leave the soil in an impoverished condition—that is, a continued application of salt is followed by decreasing yields. The effect of common salt is readily explained by the fact that it acts as a solvent upon potash compounds contained in the soil, and salt being plant food, causes an increased yield. Salt in this manner acts as a stimulant and enables the plant to draw from resources already present in the soil at a much quicker rate than would be the case under normal conditions, and instead of increasing fertility, it promotes a rapid exhaustion of the soil, which becomes apparent as soon as the plant food stored therein has been consumed.—*American Farmer*.

AGRICULTURAL NOTES.

The hop grows wild in Europe from Norway to Italy.

The Lemon Cove Citrus Company has been organized in Tulare county.

The cow tree of Venezuela gives an excellent article of milk. It has a close chemical affinity to animal milk, the butter being represented by a white wax.

A single plant of wheat will often produce 2,000 seeds in one season; a sunflower will yield 4,000; a poppy, 32,000; a tobacco plant, 361,000; a spicewort, 1,000,000.

The sweet potato is supposed to be an American plant, but is now cultivated all over the tropical world. It is a leading article of diet in the center of the Dark Continent.

No part of the earth is absolutely sterile. Plant life exists alike in the eternally frozen regions of the North and on the summits of the mountains where organic life is sometimes deemed impossible.

The census of the potato crop, just announced, shows that the actual breadth for potatoes in the United States in 1889 was 2,000,750 acres of Irish potatoes and 524,558 of sweet, yielding 217,546,302 and 43,950,261 bushels respectively.

To give some idea of the profit of grape-fruit growing, says the *Leesburg Commercial*, we point to the fact that W. A. Hooks shipped the past season from *the grape-fruit tree eleven boxes* that netted him over \$45, and his mother, Mrs. W. A. Hooks, shipped from one tree thirty-five boxes that netted over \$150.

Wheat has touched the lowest point ever reached in England, and unless prices improve wheat-raising will be abandoned in that country, says the *Mark Lane Express*. Wheat cannot be profitably grown on the high-priced land of England in competition with that produced on low-priced land in other parts of the world.

Professor Lawson Tait says there are certain orchids that secure the fertilization of their stigmas by making bees drunk. In no other way could they get these insects to eat up the necessary anthers to carry the pollen to the proper place. Every such flower is a veritable liquor saloon, licensed by nature. The beverage supplied is distinctly alcoholic.

The irrigation water of the Riverside, Cal., colony supplies, at the rate at which it is usually used, within a few pounds of the total amount of potash that is withdrawn by a crop of oranges. The growers of this crop in this highly favorable section can thus dispense for a long time to come with the expense of purchasing potash as a fertilizing agent.—E. W. Hilgard.

Agent Park of Wells, Fargo & Co., states that the fruit shipments from Oroville are constantly increasing, and cherries alone have averaged past a pound of butter into a solid ball without salt. This butter has been kept immersed in strong brine until the present time, when on cutting it I found no trace of salt, except near the surface of the ball. Salt properly exists in butter only as dissolved in the water remaining in the butter; if found in the butter in an undissolved state, objection is made by any good judge of butter. From this reasoning it will be seen that the amount of salt in butter depends somewhat upon the amount of water in the butter when the salt is added. Let us suppose we have a quantity of drained granulated butter with twenty-six percent of water in it—our object is to salt only half the water, but that is an impossibility; we must salt all the water in the butter. Hence, if we are required to have one ounce to the pound in the finishing product, twice as much salt must be taken, for half of it will come out in exuded brine. There is no danger in getting in too much salt, provided no more salt is put in than will dissolve. Sometimes twenty pounds of butter, after salting in the granulated state, will exude three or four quarts on revolving the churn and working into a mass, and sometimes not more than one point. The difference is undoubtedly in the fineness or coarseness of the granules when the salt is added.—F. C. Curtis, in *The Stockman*.

Southdowns are preferred because they are so hardy, herd in large numbers, mature earlier, and for the reason that they market more meat per acre than any other living stock. The cost of producing Southdown meat is less than for any other farm animal, the meat is graded with fat and lean, is the juiciest and best flavored. They are also certain in impressing their good qualities upon other breeds and their mutton is worth more than wool, so says the Secretary of the Southdown Breeders' Association.

California dried fruits are becoming each year more generally used in the city of St. Paul and in other large markets, and we believe it will be a short time before imported goods will be entirely dropped, as the California stock is giving perfect satisfaction, and can be purchased so as to be sold by the retail trade for reasonable prices. Reports which are afloat to the effect that dealers are holding values so high on these goods as to curtail the consumption are unreliable, as a close inspection of various quotations will show. It is true that prices have advanced during the past few weeks, but it was on account of the active demand the goods were having.—*St. Paul Reporter*.

DOMESTIC NEWS.

An Epitome of Interesting Occurrences From all Over the Country.

NEWS OF THE WEEK CONDENSED

A Budget of Miscellaneous Jottings Briefly and Curly Told in this Column.

The small-pox epidemic in Chicago is subsiding.

This year's strikes will go into history as the rebellion of 1894.

The average condition of the cotton crop was better than last year.

Last year the Canadian Pacific Railroad paid net profits of \$7,000,000.

The coal famine closed a St. Louis pressed-brick plant; 750 men thrown out.

Kansas Prohibitionists are at the prevalence of prize-fighting in that State.

This far this year the net exports of gold are about \$42,000,000. They were \$59,000,000 last year.

Captain Cleghorn of Clinton has been nominated for Governor by the Wisconsin Prohibitionists.

Franklin county, Penn., wheat is infested with over 1,000,000 green lice to the square yard of grain.

The expression of the new Greeley statue in New York is contemplative and not in the least aggressive.

A Chicago man has invented an apparatus which he claims will reduce the price of soda water to 1 cent a glass.

Receivers of the Northern Pacific will ask permission of the court to borrow \$1,000,000 to meet interest coupons.

Wheat harvesting has commenced in West and Middle Tennessee and the yield is reported better than expected.

Investigation shows that Chicago is the greatest hide market in the world. Packers take off \$16,000,000 worth a year.

A sub-Lieutenant named Shiffmacher was accidentally shot by General Eden at Chantilly, France, during an inspection.

Members of labor organizations recently returned from California favor establishing a colony there for working-men.

Memorial services will be held on Tippecanoe battle ground on June 24th. Ex-President Harrison will make the address.

Michael Landry, an American explorer, has been drowned in the mining regions east of Lake of the Woods, Canada.

J. C. Thompson, the absconding Cashier of the First National Bank of Sedalia, Mo., has been located in the City of Mexico.

If Major McDowell of Kentucky does conclude to enter the field against *the *Rocky Mountain* in *the *Rocky Mountain***

The ancient custom of wearing the hat in the synagogue is being discussed by the rabbis of Boston, with a view to its abandonment.

One point undergoing investigation in New York is how a police captain out of a salary of \$2,750 a year can build and live in a \$50,000 house.

Frank Cummings of Platt county, Neb., has been taken to an asylum a raving maniac, as the result of having been struck by lightning.

The failed First National Bank of Sedalia, Mo., is in much better condition than was at first reported. A movement is on foot to reorganize.

Ben O'Fallon Clark, a well-known broker at St. Louis, has been missing since Sunday afternoon. It is feared he has been murdered.

The problem broken by a violent thunder-storm, in which nearly an inch of rain fell, is about thirty miles from town in London, and for that entire distance there is said to be an unbroken line of residences and stores.

At a meeting of the Colonial Council in Berlin last week it was proposed to lay a direct submarine cable to the southwest coast of Africa.

Dogs are slaughtered for culinary purposes in considerable numbers in Munich. The introduction of the custom in Bavaria is attributed to Italian laborers.

St. Winefrid's, in North Wales, is a state of great excitement over a dumb woman who has recovered her power of speech after bathing in the fountain there.

Returns of the Scottish ship-building trade for May show that the production is slightly above the average, though the industry generally is not in a good way.

The house in Perth reputed to have been occupied by Simon Glover, the father of the "fair maid of Perth," has been restored and opened as a show place.

Another effort is being made to recover the \$5,000,000 in gold, which is supposed to have gone down with the British man-of-war Hussar over a century ago.

A native merchant at Bombay recently made an offer for H. M. S. Boadicea. He bid £22,000, his intentions being to sell the ship at auction.

It is proposed to establish an international marriage bureau, with headquarters in Berlin, for the purpose of regulating marriages between natives of different countries.

An effort is being made in England to form a society with the object of preserving many of the species of South African antelopes, which are in danger of soon becoming extinct.

The Lord of the Admiralty has decided to spend £20,000 at once in dredging the channel of the Medway, so as to facilitate the passage of the largest ironclads to and from Chatham.

The opening of a School of Atheism in Paris has been marked by a ludicrous incident. Although the professors were at their posts, no pupils presented themselves, and the class was put off.

Borin claims the record for quickness in turning out the fire brigade. At a test, the other day, the company tested up to quarters, fully equipped for the fire, 22 seconds after the alarm was turned in.

A recent sacrilegious theft at Notre Dame, Paris, has been traced to an extraordinary sect known as "Luciferians" or worshipers of Satan. The mother house of the order is near Fribourg, Penn., last week.

Cambridge will confer an honorary degree upon Captain Alfred T. Mahon of the United States cruiser Chicago, the author of "Sea Power in History." Oxford University will also confer an honorary degree, that of D. C. L.

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FROM THE OLD WORLD.

The population of Paris is 2,269,000. Portugal is declared free from cholera.

Scotland has over one hundred deer forests.

They have been trying camel-racing in Australia.

Pope Leo XIII. has just completed a book reviewing his Pontificate.

Lord Randolph, Churchill of England will take a trip around the world.

The Russian Government has a scheme to organize a Hebrew colony in South Russia.

Rio de Janeiro has 550,000 population and 2,040 police. Last year 10,340 arrests were made.

A man, while playing at cricket in Sheffield, was struck by a ball and killed instantaneously.

A syndicate for controlling prices has been formed by Anglo-American incandescent light manufacturers.

The shortage of the deposited manager of the Banco Provincial of Buenos Ayres is \$200,000.

The value of property now held in France for charitable purposes amounts to the enormous value of \$350,000,000.

A London man writes accusing the Universities of St. Andrews' and Glasgow of wearing illegitimate coat-of-arms.

German courts have been asked to decide whether a tooth, after being drawn, is the property of the dentist or his patient.

A London bicyclist completed, the last of May, a bicycle trip from London to Constantinople, which he began early last March.

The Cardinals who are assisting the Pope to prepare his jubilee encyclical declare that it will be his last document of the kind.

It is estimated that 200 persons were injured in Vienna during the hall-storm last week. Most of them had broken legs or arms.

Amid great popular enthusiasm, the Mayor of Limerick last week conferred the freedom of the city upon the Countess of Aberdeen.

An elevated railway with novel features is planned for Vienna. The cars will be suspended instead of running upon ordinary rails.

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Thursday, June 21 1894.

HON. MORRIS M. ESTEE monina ted for Governor on the first ballot, he receiving 660 votes out of a total of 186 votes scattering to other candidates; of the 660 votes for Estee, 164 were cast by the delegation from San Francisco, and the balance, 496 votes, came from the "Interior," which fact alone proves conclusively the strength of the "country delegates." The telegraphic advices inform us that the convention is enthusiastic, lively and harmonious.

Diphtheria has made its appearance again at Mission San Jose. Health Officer, Dr Allen, was called to attend the son of H. P. Dimond this morning and discovered the case to be diphtheria. Dr Allen at once quarantined the place and had the yellow flag stuck out.

The recent innovation in the shape of California syndicates for the control of two of the great industries of the State, namely, the raisin industry and the wine industry will be closely watched by the producers of others products and if favorable results come in the instances cited it will be the means of the formation and syndication of other great industries; for instance the fruit, the vegetable and the general productions will likewise co-operate each as a syndicate for their own special products. This new method of doing business seems to be increasing and as it has the great

According to the consumer, the products at low prices, while at the same time it gives the producer a better price for his products. We can see no reason it should not become universal. The middleman doubtless believes he has rights, and so he has, but he must protect them for himself. It is a general proposition of an economical character that the nearer the producer and consumer can be brought together, the better it is for both parties interested, and it might be added that, in business matters especially, everybody appears to be looking out for his own interest.

The County Convention of the People's party will be held in Oakland July 20th, when a full county ticket will be nominated. Under the appointment the convention will consist of 150 delegates.

James A. Trefry, assignee of the estate of C. O. Valpey, an insolvent debtor has commenced suit in the Superior Court against E. Topham and E. Carle to recover possession of eight horses and colts, two cows, three sets of harness, a wagon and a surrey, all of the value of \$2000, and alleged to have been taken from Valpey by defendants without any right or title.

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If you wish the services of a Notary Public, be sure and call on A. S. Clark at Clark's Bros. store Irvington.

Petaluma Incubator, 300 egg capacity, new, for sale. Enquire of Mr. Cameron, Centreville.

Daily papers, magazines, books and reading matter of all kinds at the Irvington News Depot, Post-office, R. B. Crowell, Prop.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE County of Alameda, State of California. In the Matter of the Application of THE LADIES TOWN HALL, ASSOCIATION of Centreville, a corporation, for leave to sell certain real property.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ladies Town Hall Association of Centreville, a corporation, has filed in this Court a Petition for an order authorizing it to sell all the right, title and interest of said Corporation in and to all that portion of the Town Hall, so called, situated in the Town of Centreville, County of Alameda, State of California, described as follows to wit:

Beginning at the most Easterly corner of said Town Hall Lot and running North Westerly along the North Easterly line of said lot 25 feet; thence at right angles South Easterly 25 feet to the South Easterly boundary line of said lot and thence along the same North Easterly 50 feet to the point of beginning to which will be added the same.

And that Monday the 29th day of June 1894 at 10 o'clock A. M. said day at the Court Room of Department No. 3 of said Court at the Court House in the City of Oakland, in the county of Alameda, has been appointed for the hearing of said Application and Petition when and where any member of said Corporation or other person interested may appear and oppose the same.

Dated June 13th, 1894.

JAMES E. CRANE, Clerk
By J. W. STETSON, Deputy Clerk.

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POLITICAL.

JOHN L BEARD
of Warm Springs

Announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for the Twenty seventh Senatorial District for

State Senator

J. C. PLUNKETT,

At present Supervisor of Fourth District of Alameda, hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

Superior Judge

of Alameda County.

FRANK B. OGDEN,
(Incumbent)

Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

County Assessor

of Alameda County.

CHARLES H SPEAR
(Incumbent)

Of Berkeley, hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

Recorder

of Alameda County.

H. W. BRYDGES,
(Incumbent)

Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

County Recorder

of Alameda County.

JAMES E. CRANE,
(Incumbent)

Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

County Clerk

of Alameda County.

GEORGE CHASE,
(Incumbent)

Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

County Treasurer

of Alameda County.

JOSEPH HERRSCHER,
City Treasurer of the City of San Leandro, hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

County Treasurer

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DANIEL CHISHOLM
Announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

Public Administrator

GEO. A. OAKES,
Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

Public Administrator

of Alameda county.

HENRY EVERE,

Hereby announces himself a candidate for the Republican nomination for

Coroner

of Alameda County.

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Lake County, Cal.

NOTICE!

School Bond Election Notice.

NOTICE is hereby given to the electors of Niles School District, in the County of Alameda, and State of California, that in accordance with the provisions of the Political Code of the State of California, as set forth in Section 1880, to and including Section 1888 of said Code, an election will be held on the 29th day of June, A. D. 1894, at the Public School House in the town of Niles, in Niles School District, at which time will be submitted to the electors of said District the question of issuing bonds of the purpose of raising money for finishing present school house in such District, and for fitting up same.

The polls will be opened and the election held at the School House in Niles, in Niles School District, on the 23rd day of June, 1894, and the polls will be open from one o'clock of said day until seven o'clock p. m. of said day.

M. G. ELSWORTH and Wm. Mortimer and J. C. SHINN will act as Judges of said election to conduct the same.

The amount of bonds to be issued is

one thousand dollars, of the denomina-

tion of one hundred dollars each, and to

bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum.

Said bonds are to be numbered consecutively 1 to 100, inclusive, and are to

matute as follows, to wit:

1 to 2, inclusive, one year from date

3 to 4, inclusive, two years from date

5 to 6, inclusive, three years from date

7 to 8, inclusive, four years from date

9 to 10 inclusive, five years from date

Said election will be held in conformity with the provisions of the Political Code of California governing such elections.

W. M. SNYDER

H. A. MAYHEW

J. P. TYSON

Trustees of Niles School District.

Dated May 22, 1894.

UNITED STATES LAND OFFICE,

San Francisco, Cal. May 26, 1894.

Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory." Manuel F. Cooch of the State Court of Alameda, State of California, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 1, for the purchase of the S E 1/4 of N E 1/4 and E 1/4 of S E 1/4 of Section No. 2, in Township No. 5, Range No. 2, E M D M and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the Register and Receiver of this office at San Francisco, Cal., on Wednesday the 15 day of August 1894.

He names as witnesses:

FRANK N. SILVA

MANUEL F. SILVA

San Fran. Cal.

Any and all persons claiming adversely to the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 15 day of August 1894.

JOHN F. SHERMAN, Register.

10-2-107

Notice to Creditors.

Estate of Stephen Larkins, also known as Stephen Larkins, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN BY

the undersigned, Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Stephen Larkins deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against the said deceased, to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within ten months after the first publication of this notice to the said Executor and Executrix at the office of Haven & Haven, Room 8, Seventh Floor, Mill's Building, San Francisco, California, which said office the undersigned selects as his place of business in all matters connected with the said estate of Stephen Larkins also known as Stephen Larkins deceased.

AMOS S. LARRIN

Executor of the Last Will of Stephen Larkins also known as Stephen Larkins deceased.

Dated March 14th 1894.

LOCAL.

Several of our young men were witnesses to a lively "set to" over at Niles Sunday evening.

Who was the young man at Kimball's Picnic Grounds Sunday that "got it where the chicken got the axe,"

The Champion Whist Club will play its final game at the residence of Mrs. J. Tyson's on Thursday evening.

To go over to the camps at Kimball's every evening seems to be all the go at present among the young men.

We understand that Court Concord will show another new member through the mysteries of Forestry in a few days.

Our people who attended the picnic at Sunol last Saturday evidently did not enjoy their homeward ride owing to the down pour which started about 3 o'clock.

A series of Singles and Doubles will be played by the Centreville and Irvington Tennis Club, Saturday next at the Irvington Tennis Court. As quite a number of good players are in both teams, a very exciting game is looked for.

The marriage licenses of Joseph Oliver Jr. 22 years and Annie Rose Oliveria 19 years both of Centreville also the marriage licenses of John Periera 21 years and Catharine Annia Varela 22 years both of Warm Springs have been issued by the County Clerk.

Court Concord No. 8388 A. O. F. of A. will hold a social dance at Clark's Hall on Tuesday evening July the 3rd, 1894. First class music will be furnished. Dancing Badges 50 cents and refreshments 25 cents per couple. Good time guaranteed. Don't forget the date.

A seven round sparring match between Deacon Jones, champion bantam weight of the Pacific Coast and John Willy of San Francisco will take place in Clark's Hall Irvington next Saturday evening with Pete Jackson referee. Admission to the hall will be 50 cents. A fine exhibition of sparring and self defense will be witnessed.

The Irvington Tennis Club held its regular meeting last Friday evening. Mr. E. B. Thompson was re-elected president and Mr. Ralph Emerson as secretary. Miss Pearl Keith of Irvington and Mr. Julius Jacobus of Niles were duly elected as members. It was decided by the club to give a social dance at Clark's Hall on Saturday evening June 30, '94.

Mr. Chas. N. Crittenton, the New York Evangelist, will hold a series of religious services in the Town Hall Centreville from June the 26th to July the 6th inclusive. All are cordially invited to attend these meetings. It is an opportunity that none should miss. Mr. Crittenton is the founder of the Florence Night Mission, and he will speak on that subject on some evening during his stay.

Brilliant Show—Such was the title given to a street showman who held forth on our streets last Monday evening. The troupe consisted of two men, a woman, a little girl and a pack of performing dogs. The program consisted of throwing the lasso, making numerous kinds of bridles with a single piece of rope, throwing knives and hatchets around the woman, pinning her to a board, and the performing dogs. A small collection was realized.

Our neighbor Elijah Powell is in receipt of a letter from his aunt Mrs. Amanda Lee who resides at Cedar Mountain North Carolina in which she refers to the golden wedding celebration of her daughter. Mrs. Lee has attained to the age of one hundred and two years and has been ill but once of any consequence in that time the letter states her health to be in excellent condition at present. It is probable that she is the oldest lady in the United States now living.

Quite a number of our readers will be sorry to learn of the death of Dr. L. H. Cutler of Pleasanton, who for some time kept a drug store at Niles and was obliged to sell the business and return to Pleasanton on account of his fast failing health. Dr. Cutler after returning to Pleasanton was for some time unable to leave the house, when he was afterwards confined to his bed where he lay for a number of weeks. His death occurred on the evening of the 13th inst. At the time of his death he was 72 years, 2 months and 4 days old. His body was entered in the Masonic Cemetery at Livermore.

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CENTREVILLE.

CENTREVILLE, June 20, '94.

Mrs. O. T. Dyer of Riverside and Miss Josie Leavitt of Cleveland are visitors at the Niehouse residence.

Miss Niehouse and Miss Josie Leavitt were presented with an elegant \$135 safety of the very latest pattern.

Mrs. C. Hatch spent several days last week in San Francisco.

The Centreville Tennis Club will play the Irvington Club on Saturday next.

NILES.

SCHOOL BOND ELECTION.

The Fruit Exchange Meet. A New Church to be Built. Items From the Camps.

NILES, June 20, '94

All who are interested in the welfare of our public school system, should not fail to vote next Saturday afternoon upon the bond question. It is necessary to raise \$1000 to furnish the two upper rooms in the school house; that sum will finish the rooms, furnish them, and paint the whole building. The bonds will run five years, and are to be \$200 a year, two bonds of \$100 each. That sum is so small it can make no appreciable addition to the total taxation in any case.

The Fruit Exchange held a meeting Tuesday evening and will go on rapidly with the work of preparing buildings and grounds for the season's crop. They have rented the land from D. Sanborn, a most convenient site.

Cherries have been shipped in large quantities East for the past ten days, but as the returns are coming in, and are proving far from satisfactory, the question is again, what shall be done with the cherries. Fioli, a large shipper has bought several of the larger orchards and has his packing house at C. H. Hudson's where he has nearly thirty men working. Those who have sold to him are well off. He is also making contracts for next year's crops.

An Episcopal church will be built very soon in Niles. The R. R. Company has deeded to the society a lot adjoining the Congregational church a very good location indeed.

Rev. L. H. Maar exchanged pulps last Sunday with Rev. T. McCollan of Lorenzo. The services were well attended and the Sunday evening praise service was extremely good.

The Ladies Guild met Wednesday of this week with Mrs. Maar. Mrs. Thane read a paper upon Modern Supper.

Quite a number of Niles people attended the entertainment in Newark last Friday evening.

Mrs. G. E. Chittenden will entertain a party of young people next Friday evening in honor of her nieces the Misses May and Cornelia Chittenden.

Mr. and Mrs. Harcourt, Sr. have moved into the Klinger cottage which was purchased a few weeks ago by E. E. Uster.

Christ Keller and family of San Francisco have moved into their new cottage on Morrison street.

Guy Velsee of Oakland and Master Joe Mayhew of San Francisco will spend their vacation in Niles.

Mrs. Martin Baechtel and daughter Ethel of Ukiah are in town for a week or so.

C. L. Tilden and little daughters of Alameda spent a few days in Niles this week.

Miss Celene Goldstein of San Francisco is at Mrs. G. E. Chittenden's.

Mr. J. Newby and family have moved into a cottage in town.

Miss Martha Baker of Oakland visited in town last week.

Master Ray Tyler is visiting his sister Mrs. Maar.

Miss Olive Lamb is very ill.

KIMBALL'S CAMP JOTS.

The Magnolia Club of San Jose will hold a picnic at Niles next Sunday. A special train of five or six cars will be run on the day.

NILES, June 17.—Camp G. C. under the charge of Captain Thomas Bartelme of the cycle corps, is known locally as "Grumblers' Corner."

John Phillips proved a hero yesterday. He rescued a lady from the dam, who had fallen over the bank. His brave action will probably be rewarded by a medal.

The ladies of the camp all admired the graceful manner of the floor manager at the pavilion to-day. It was Frank Swift, and he was the cynosure of all eyes. A more awkward dancer was never seen.

Never was a merrier, happier crowd in this canyon that is gathered here at present. Social events, small teas, surprise parties, excursions and entertainments are the order of the day, and at night, too, and all are enjoying themselves.

The entertainment and dance at the pavilion last night was really first class and contained many new features.

The singing of Miss Grace Shean and Miss Lillian Rhodes, the songs of H. D. Corlette, the clog dancing of Mr. Shean Sr. and the baritone solo of Lawrence Alberti were gems and were greatly admired.

Those in camp at present are: Aveyron camp—Mr and Mrs John Stack and family.

Robin Hood camp—Mr and Mrs Alberti.

Sleepy Hollow camp—J. Welisch and family.

Occidental camp—Mr Farrell, and wife.

Ivanhoe camp—Mr Lubback and wife.

Ohispa camp—Mr Shean wife and family.

Homestead camp—Mr and Mrs Kramer.

Olive camp—Mr Philips, wife and family.

G. C. camp—John Barteline and family.

Mispa camp—Mr W. Moller and wife.

Russell camp—E. W. Russell, wife and family.

Live Oak camp—Mr Dalloway and wife.

BUNKER HILL DAY.

CELEBRATION AND PICNIC AN ENJOYABLE EVENT.

The Grounds Filled With People.

Major Sherman Speaks.

A Liberty Tree.

The Celebration and Picnic of the Battle of Bunker Hill was as advertised and talked of by our many people of this valley and surrounding towns, took place at the Big Spring Camping Grounds at Sunol last Saturday.

Early in the morning the many picnickers were up and making ready every thing for a day of enjoyment along the banks of the ever flowing stream of the Alameda Creek, a prettier and more suitable spot for a picnic could not have been found. At about 10 o'clock the Mission Cornet Band arrived on the grounds and from then on till late in the afternoon, every thing was on the move. The exercises by the different schools, which were held in the morning were excellent and to give praise to any certain one, would be unjust to the others, as all did their utmost to make them a success, and great credit is due to the teachers of each for their training and drilling.

One of the most interesting part of the program was the address delivered by Major Sherman. He spoke in a most clear and decisive tone, hitting upon many points relative to our country and was given the closest attention from beginning to end. After the exercises followed the feast for the inner man to which all did full justice as only one can when out for a day's outing of the like occasion.

Dancing was commenced at one o'clock and the many lovers of this enjoyment tripped the light fantastic till six o'clock in the evening when many left for their homes, while a large number not to be outdone with only the day's pleasure, took advantage of the opportunity offered and stayed to the dance in the evening.

During the afternoon a meeting was called by the President of the Bunker Hill Association for the purpose of electing new officers for the ensuing term, and in a short time the new officers were duly elected as follows: Mr. Moore, President; A. B. Montross, Vice President; L. E. Osgood, Treasurer; Bert Ellis, Secy.

Following the election of officers, Major Sherman delivered a short address upon the Association and finished his remarks by saying that, as they were not permitted to take possession of personal property, he hoped that at the next celebration of this kind, the Association would, with the consent of the proprietor of the grounds, which was given, plant a tree upon that very spot, and that the tree be known as a Liberty Tree in remembrance of the joyous occasion and which would mark the spot where these celebrations were held, and that not only the home Association would be present, but those of San Francisco and elsewhere as well.

The dance during the evening was as much a success as the day proved to be and was kept up till the hour of midnight, when the Home Sweet Home melody was sounded and all then prepared to leave, only to regret the long wait of another year before the next anniversary of the Battle of Bunker Hill would take place.

John Power's Will.

The will of John Power, who died at Warm Springs, in this county, on the 6th inst. was filed for probate Tuesday. In this will Maurice E. Power, Robert Welch and Thomas Harrison are named as executors. The estate consists of real property worth about \$17,000 and in personal property worth about \$300.

In his will the deceased bequeaths to his three children Mary Jane, Catherine Rebecca and Thomas James a \$5000 policy on his life, in the New York Mutual Life Insurance Company, to be divided share and share alike.

To his four children Maurice Edwin, and three others named above, bequeaths all his real and personal property of whatever nature, save the policy divided among the three.

To his daughter Lucinda Ann, the wife of Charles Ridel, he bequeaths the sum of \$100 to be paid out of his personal property, but if after the payment of debts and other expenses no money remains, then the \$100 is to be paid out of the insurance policy.

The reason given for allowing this daughter but \$100 is that she had already received her share during his lifetime.

Charles Ridel, mentioned above, will be remembered as the man, who, a couple of years ago, killed his wife's cousin. In the excitement that followed, Mrs. Ridel turned against her relatives to stand by her husband, who, after a hard-fought contest, succeeded in securing an acquittal on the grounds of self defense.

PERSONALS.

Mr. W. B. King of Niles, visited Irvington Tuesday.

Miss Julia Wamsley spent Saturday and Sunday at Sunol.

R. E. Murtha of Oakdale, is visiting Dr. Young and wife.

Dr. Emerson of Centreville passed through town Tuesday.

Mrs. C. H. Sage paid a visit to San Francisco last Thursday.

Ye editor has been spending the past week at Sacramento.

Miss Ella Clark of Saratoga is spending a few days with her mother.

Miss Jennie Smith has been visiting friends in the City for the past week.

Mr. M. Carter and Miss Georgie Black took a trip to Pleasanton Monday.

Mrs. Deal of Sunol, is spending a few days with her daughter Mrs. Hughes.

Mr. and Mrs. Sprowl of Oakdale are visiting the daughter of Mrs. Chas. Threlford.

Mr. Brownell of the Hotel Irvington spent three days in San Francisco this week.

Mr. Geo. Clements has gone to work for Chancey Shaw at Warm Springs.

Miss Alice Poorman of San Francisco has been the guest of the Dyers of Alvarado.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mack of San Francisco and Miss Ismet of Livermore are visiting Mrs. W. H. Mack.

Misses Lizzie and Nora Boucker of Murphysborough are spending a three week's visit at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. Clark.

Mrs. Angelotti, wife of Judge F. Angelotti, Mrs. Arnold of Pacific Grove and Mrs. M. W. Osgood were visitors at the Osgood residence this week.

Rev. Father Carragher of the Mission San Jose Roman Catholic Church left for Chicago on Monday of this week to attend the ceremonies incident upon the ordination of his brother to the Priesthood. Rev. Carragher expects to be absent about six months.

For Alvarado.

Mr. Cilker of Los Gatos was in town last Friday.

Mrs. Steele of Marysville is now at the Riverside.

Miss Sturgeon of Newman, Merced County, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Lyle.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Dyer have gone to Madrone Springs for a few weeks.

Miss Walsh of San Francisco is the guest of Miss Addie Allaire of this place.

Miss Martha Cilker will spend her vacation at the residence of her parents near Los Gatos.

Mr. Peach of Lodi, formerly a merchant of this place, has been in town for several days.

Miss Alice Poorman, who has been the guest of Miss Nina Dyer for the past week, has returned to her home in Sacramento.

Mr. Samuel Poorman of San Francisco is visiting at the residence of Mr. Jackson of Alvarado.

The Southern Pacific Co. and others have been made defendants in a suit brought by the Oakland Water Co. to condemn certain lands near Alvarado for their water mains.

Mr. Crosby of Centreville is at present engaged in boring another well for the Oakland Water Company on their property recently purchased near Alvarado. It is proposed to connect their many wells, then with a large pump, force the water to Oakland.

The public school of Alvarado closed Friday. The closing and graduating exercises were held together in the school building. Many visitors were present and were well pleased with the exercises. In the evening a dance was given to the graduates in the I. O. O. F. Hall. The graduates were: Olive R. Horner, Wm. Lee, Grant Townsend and Augustus B. Nauert.

The social given by the Y. P. S. C. at the residence of Mrs. S. H. Harvey was a great success both financially and socially. It was an old fashioned social and one could easily believe as he looked at the various styles of dress that he lived in the good old days of yore.

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CHAPTER V.
HOW EVERYTHING WAS MADE PLEASANT
AND EASY FOR HER.



What are the services for which this is the payment?" Mrs. Bemax inquired.

Two or three days afterward Jocelyn betook himself to a small and rather shabby looking house in East Eighteenth street, and asked if Mrs. Bemax were at home. The woman who opened the door said, in a weary and discontented voice, that Mrs. Bemax was in, and Jocelyn went upstairs. He entered the front room on the first floor. This room had a dingy and brownish aspect. The furniture was meager and rickety. Upon the wall between the windows hung askew a print of the Prince of Wales and his family, taken from some illustrated paper and framed in a wooden frame stained black and varnished. The only pretty thing in the room was a photograph of a chubby little child about 4 years of age. It was mounted in a simple frame of stained wood, and a small vase containing two or three flowers stood in front of it. The photograph itself was much faded and was in the style of ten years ago.

In a few minutes a tall, middle aged woman, with a square shaped face and rather strongly marked features, came into the room. Her eyes and brows were dark; her hair was slightly touched with gray. The corners of her large mouth had acquired an indrawn look, apparently from a habit of pressing her lips together; her general expression was studiously impassive. She looked like one accustomed to meet with rebuffs and disappointments, and to put up with them when necessary, though never with meekness and resignation. There was an air about her that showed she had once been familiar with the handsome side of the world, but, from whatever cause, had discontinued to enjoy or practice its refinements. There were more hard and unpleasant things in her memory than the contrary, and these memories and experiences had worn away her former comeliness and made her skeptical and somewhat malicious, instead of gentle and engaging.

"Well, Hamilton," she said, as she came in, "I hope you've brought me some money."

"Money, my dear Meg! Didn't I send you some last week?"

"Yes, enough to pay up my arrears of board. I've had none to spend on myself for a month, and I have only one other dress to my back, and that is not fit to be seen."

"Things are more expensive here than in England. I told you that when you insisted on coming here. You would have been more comfortable at home."

"Home is where the heart is," she replied, with an intonation of somber casuism. "My heart is not in England, wherever else it may be."

"Well, I've been very busy," said Jocelyn.

"So you always tell me; but I presume, as usual, it is no business of mine."

"Well, my dear, it's only the money aspect of my business that you feel any interest in."

"If you mean there is no longer any sentiment between us I cordially admit it," was the answer. "I don't care the snap of my finger for you or for any one else now alive. But I have some claims upon you, and I've come here to enforce them."

"You have the photograph there still, I see," remarked Jocelyn, turning to the table. "Poor little fellow! If he'd lived I'd have made a man of him."

"Yes! You'd have made the same sort of man as you've made woman of his mother. I'm glad he's dead, it's only to save him from knowing what sort of a father he's got! However, you said that to put me in a good humor, I suppose. What do you want?"

"I vow, Meg, you're too confoundedly sour for anything," exclaimed Jocelyn, twisting his whiskers. "I've come to tell you of an arrangement that will enable you to live at your ease the rest of your days. Come, now!"

"It is impossible you should intend any benefit to me that would not benefit you ten times more," said Mrs. Bemax impassively.

ma'selle, you know we mustn't be too particular about that. When we have been on the stage a little longer we shall learn to look upon all men as our brothers, and not mind a little fun. Besides, you know, you are the famous and invincible Mariana, and are supposed to be able to settle all such Jack-a-dandies with one hand, so to speak!"

"I don't understand you," said Beatrix, with a slight flush.

"Well, my dear, the amount of it all is they mean no harm, and they've heard so many stories about the Mariana's adventures that they feel justified in trying to find out what she's made of. The fact is, you know, she's said to be a little hazarde—dangerous—as soon run a man as look at him, and you must act the out the character."

"Do you mean that I should pretend to be anything that is not—good?"

"Oh! no, no—not that, of course! Only a sort of give-and-take, live-and-let-live style—that's what you want."

"If they think I am different from what I am, in any bad way," continued Beatrix, "I will either tell them who I am or give up the whole thing." Her voice trembled.

"Now, my good little prima donna, don't you say anything so foolish!" said Jocelyn, taking her hand in his and patting it. "Come, you know me, don't you? and you know whether or not Hamilton Jocelyn would permit any one to insult you? Very well, then; you're as safe, if the worst comes to the worst, as if you were sealed up in the center of the pyramid of Cheops! But what I want you to learn is to have courage—to hold your own bravely, and not to be so squeamish about what the people you meet with say and do. The world always seems queer and a little disagreeable when one is first brought into contact with it; full of people not a bit like our quiet folks out in the country. But we can't change the world, can we? All we can do is to talk things as they are, and make the best of it. If we are all right nothing can really hurt us. But we must have courage, we mustn't be afraid, we mustn't talk of giving up! We must be a little woman of the world. Every woman must be who intends to accomplish anything, let alone to make such a reputation as lies before you. It's a little freemasonry we all have to learn, nothing more; and, as I said, though you won't love me—naughty child!—yet you can't help trusting your father's old friend; and as a matter of course I will come to me if you get into any real scrape. I shall be only too ready to assist you; but I don't want to seem officious either to you or to others, and I want you to fight your own way as much as possible at first. It will make it all the easier for you hereafter. Don't let yourself be put upon, of course, but don't altogether forget that you're the Mariana either. If you manage it cleverly her name ought to be a help to you rather than the contrary."

"In what way?"

"Oh, the sharper the fight the sooner is the payment?" Mrs. Bemax inquired.

"To chaperon a lady—nothing more."

"A lady!" repeated the other, a peculiar smile drawing down the corner of her mouth; "I begin to understand! Who is she?"

"The prima donna at the new opera house."

"Yes; in whom you are tenderly interested. Taking everything into consideration, Hamilton, that is very characteristic of you; a very delicate piece of kindness!"

"Bah! Meg, your cynicism is overdone; you are on a wrong seat entirely. In the first place, the lady is not the person she's supposed to be. She's the daughter of an old friend of mine; I once intended to marry her, but—I thought better of it. Circumstances which you will be fully informed of have led to her personating the Mariana name and all—the coming season. It's a grand secret, of course, and I selected you as the only woman who could be trusted to keep it. You are to confirm in every way that suggests itself the idea that she is the bona fide Mariana; say you've lived with her for years in Europe, and so on. But she is wholly ignorant of the world, and you are to see to it that none of the young fellows gets ahead of her. You may invent all the adventures you like for her—in the past, but on no account let her get into any scrapes in the present. Do you see what I mean?"

"I think so. The young fellows you speak of are to be kept out of the way for your sake rather than for hers; and she is to be instructed that any scrape she gets into with you is no scrap at all, but a distinction and a blessing."

"Upon my soul I should flatter myself were you jealous if I didn't know you so well!" said Jocelyn with a laugh. "I only wish to protect the girl from annoyance and to insure the success of the whole scheme. If you could make me believe in your disinterestedness and virtue the only result would be that I should serve you less efficiently than otherwise. But you always liked deception for its own sake, and you are the same Hamilton Jocelyn that I knew in Richmond twelve years ago. Well, I shall know what to take with her."

"Take any tone you like, in the devil's name, so long as you take the position and observe the conditions!" exclaimed Jocelyn, getting up, with some signs of impatience.

"I will take the position on condition of being guaranteed my outfit and twelve hundred dollars," said Mrs. Bemax. "It is not high wages for the devil to pay, but it's better than nothing, and to live as comfortably as I can, so long as I do live, is the best I have to look forward to now. I'm not so fastidious in other respects as you do me the honor to imagine."

"Well, Meg, when you've enjoyed a few months' luxury you'll take a more genial view of things, I hope. Above all things make as good an impression on the lady as possible. She must learn to confide in you, and to take your advice in all social matters from the outset. You can do anything with her if she likes you and trusts you, and nothing if she doesn't."

"I understand; I am to be another mother to her!" said Margaret Bemax, in a tone and with a look in her eyes so quiet and yet so repellent that Jocelyn made no attempt to reply, but took his leave without further ceremony.

"Well, I certainly am alone!" said Beatrix gravely.

"In appearance, yes; but so long as Hamilton Jocelyn is alive you'll have an unfailing resource."

"I should compromise you as well," said she, looking at him fixedly. He made a laughing gesture of depreciation.

"Oh, don't be afraid of that! I've known; everybody understands me! I can do no possible harm to each other. It's an understood thing that I stand godfather to all prime donne on their lady as possible. She must learn to confide in you, and to take your advice in all social matters from the outset. You can do anything with her if she likes you and trusts you, and nothing if she doesn't."

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Certainly Beatrix needed a mother at this epoch of her career. The peculiar conditions under which she was making her entrance into the world rendered her especially defenseless. She was not only ignorant (as any girl brought up in the seclusion of home is likely to be) of the ways and wickedness of mankind, but the strict necessity of her incognito cut her off from the support and society of both her father and of all the other relatives and friends who should naturally be around her. She was not wholly different, and she was somebody wholly different from herself as well. Furthermore she was a singer, with all the sensitiveness and the liability to emotional impressions that the musical temperament implies. Upon the whole a young woman can select no career more dangerous than that upon which Beatrix had just entered, and the external circumstances which attended her entrance could scarcely have been more untoward.

"Pooh, pooh! things will very soon shake down, and then in everything but name you can be more yourself than you ever were before!" returned her father's old friend encouragingly.

The next day Mme. Bemax was introduced, and was very genial, helpful and agreeable.

(To be continued.)

A Sheriff's jury at New York has decided that Caroline D. Martin, wife of William M. Martin, business manager of the New York *Witness*, is incompetent to manage her affairs. This is the lady who was in San Francisco last month and gave out the story that she was immensely rich and that her husband had sent a detective after her.

"Fellows bother you, do they?" said that gentleman in answer to her complaint, with a reassuring smile. "Well, I suppose. What do you want?"

"It is impossible you should intend any benefit to me that would not benefit you ten times more," said Mrs. Bemax impassively.

A syndicate has been formed at Buenos Ayres to force up the premium on gold,

RAISING WILLOW FOR THE MARKET.

A Crop Which Needs Harvesting but Once Every Four Years.

In a beautiful sweep of lowland north of Melville station on the Northern Central railroad and about nine miles from Baltimore there is a peculiar farm. It is peculiar in that it renders to its owner and tiler but one crop in four years, and that a crop of willow shoots.

The farmer, Antonia Spath, came from Germany, many years ago, and after erecting himself a comfortable stone house, which still stands in the midst of a picturesque clump of willows, at the end of the little valley, set about planting his first crop of willow shoots. Every year since he has gone on planting row after row until the valley has become covered with them. Spath had learned the art of weaving willow barks in his boyhood days by the shores of the Main river, and as fast as his little plantation grew gathered the shoots, stripped them of their green covering, and after drying them wove baskets of every conceivable form.

"It seems rather peculiar work in this country," said the willow farmer, speaking to his wife, "but in all parts of Europe, especially in the German provinces, it is a very common thing to find willow plantations and willow weavers, for there willow is used in many forms and for a greater number of purposes than I find it used in this country. In Germany and France willow is employed in building at least 20 different kinds of bird cages, while in America metal is used—brass or iron wire—and different woods.

Among the best families in European countries cradles, woven by German workers, may be found constructed entirely of willow. Then there are a hundred and one shapes of marketing baskets, baskets used by milliners and laundresses, baskets and panniers to be carried upon the backs of men and beasts for holding fish and fowl. In preparing the willow for the weaver we plant the slips in long rows parallel with a running stream of water and cut them when they have attained four years of growth. The cutting time is early in the spring before the sap is done running, and after tying them in bundles where they are placed in ponds of water to keep them in a green state until ready for stripping. Stripping the willow is accomplished by drawing the switches through and between two heavy iron stanchions, whose edges peel the light green bark from the white heart, and then, after drying or curing them upon long racks, we have got the willow in a form for the weaver. It was many years after I planted this farm with willows before any one thought of imitating my example, but now there are several other plantations located upon the Washington and Indianapolis roads, and though you may find quite as busy scenes there you will easily find a more picturesque place than this anywhere, and that was one of the reasons that led me to settle here."

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